

NOTICE OF 30-DAY PUBLIC COMMENT PERIOD AAA Storage

36-48 Line Street, 41-49 Sheppard Street, and 16 Carlson Court, Charleston

DHEC (the South Carolina Department of Health and Environmental Control) is accepting public comments on a proposed Voluntary Cleanup Contract through July 5, 2016.

The Voluntary Cleanup Contract, 16-6390-NRP, will affect approximately 2.18 acres located at 36, 38, 40, 43, 44, 45, and 48 Line Street, 41, 43, 45, and 49 Sheppard Street, and 16 Carlson Court in Charleston, South Carolina. The property is further identified by Charleston County Tax Map Serial Numbers 4590503105, 4590503106, 4590503090, 4590503092, 4590503093, 4590503094, 4590503107, 4590503108, 4590503110, 4590503111, 4590503112, and 4590503123. A company known as East Line Partners, LLC (East Line Partners), wants to acquire the property from the current owners. This Voluntary Cleanup Contract will be between DHEC and East Line Partners.

Past uses of the property include a mix of commercial and industrial uses including rail car repair shops, a blacksmith shop, machine shop, wood working shop, paint shop, plywood warehouse, and truck rental shop. Some of these past uses may have caused environmental pollution on the property.

East Line Partners intends to develop the property with new buildings for a mix of residential and commercial uses. If this Voluntary Cleanup Contract is implemented, DHEC will allow East Line Partners to acquire the property as a "Brownfields Site" because of the potential for environmental pollution from past activity on the property. DHEC will not hold East Line Partners responsible for pre-existing pollution in exchange for doing work under the Voluntary Cleanup Contract. Under the proposed contract, East Line Partners will test soil and groundwater on the property. If significant contamination is found, East Line Partners will be required to take steps to protect human health and the environment. East Line Partners did not create the pollution, but will control it to keep the property safe for re-use.

DHEC uses Voluntary Cleanup Contracts to encourage productive reuse of Brownfield sites. Under State law, East Line Partners will not be responsible if anyone has been affected by the contamination. The responsibility of former owners or operators of the property is not reduced by this contract. .

The proposed contract is available at http://www.scdhec.gov/PublicNotices/. Printed copies may be obtained from the DHEC Freedom of Information Office at (803) 898-3882.

The public may provide written, email, or telephone comments on the proposed contract through July 5, 2016. Questions or comments may be directed to Angela Gorman, Project Manager, by e-mail at gormanak@dhec.sc.gov, telephone (803) 898-0929, or TOLL-FREE telephone (866) 576-3432. Written comments should be directed to Angela Gorman at SCDHEC, 2600 Bull Street, Columbia, SC 29201.